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Mutual Aid

10 community fire departments battle apartment blaze

Firefighters and equipment from 10 neighboring communities responded to a serious fire at the Waverly Apartment complex in Van Buren Township last week.

Van Buren Township firefighters were dispatched to the 48000 block of Denton Road at about 8:30 p.m. July 5 in response to a report of a possible structure fire. Responding firefighters found heavy fire throughout the attic of the structure which had traveled through the roof of the building, according to official reports.

Van Buren fire officials immediately requested mutual aid from Ypsilanti Township and the cities of Belleville and Ypsilanti in response to the severity of the blaze. Firefighters first verified that everyone was out of the building and then instituted exterior defensive operations, officials said.

In an effort to control the blaze, fire officials requested further mutual aid from Canton Township and the City of Romulus. Fire crews established ladders to accommodate aerial operations and flow water through the roof of the building, according to reports. As firefighters continued to battle the fire, mutual aid was also requested from Superior, Sumpter and Augusta townships along with the City of Wayne and additional fire units from Romulus.

The firefighters remained on the scene in attempts to quell the fire for several hours, officials said, finally bringing the fire under control. Officers from the Van Buren Police Department along with staff from HART Huron Valley, Huron Valley Ambulance and Belleville Fire Auxiliary were at the scene in a support role.

After ensuring the blaze had been extinguished, firefighters left the scene but crews were called back to the building in the early morning hours the next day as the fire had rekindled inside the building. Van Buren, Belleville and Sumpter Township responded to the rekindle, officials said.

No injuries were reported in the incident and the cause of the fire remained under investigation at press time.

Plymouth Township denies Meijer special use land permit

Members of the Plymouth Township Planning Commission denied a special land use request from Meijer by a 5-1 vote during a recent meeting.

Representatives from Meijer submitted plans for a supercenter on Five Mile Road, west of Beck Road on former Detroit House of Corrections property. Meijer proposed a 159,000 square-foot store and gas station on the 21-acre parcel. Meijer is now prohibited from submitting another plan for the land for one year, according to township officials.

The vote followed a 3-hour meeting during which township residents voiced their concerns about the proposed construction. Residents from both Plymouth and Northville voiced their objections to the proposed project. Residents told the commissioners they feared increased crime and traffic in the already heavily trafficked area. Others noted the opening of a supercenter would negatively impact the peaceful nature of the township.

The concerns regarding traffic were substantiated by two traffic studies, both concluding that road improvements are necessary in the area prior to development. Commissioners said the current roads would not sustain the increased traffic and that road improvements would be necessary before consideration of the proposed project.

Meijer representatives suggested the commissioners table the application and allow them to resubmit it with changes to accommodate concerns voiced during the meeting. Commissioners denied that request along with the special land use permit.

Northville officials agree to opt out of LED lighting program

A recent analysis shed some unfavorable light on the LED conversion program in the City of Northville.

During a recent meeting of the members of the city council, DPW Director Mike Domine recommended the city exercise the buy-out option included in the program agreement. An analysis of the costs demonstrated that the program has not produced the level of energy savings predicted. Northville entered into an agreement in January 2021 with the Energy Reduction Coalition (ERC), an Ann-Arbor based nonprofit, to convert city-owned lighting at the water tower, Northville Yards, and parking lots and structures to LED lighting.

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The agreement included the installation and maintenance of the infrastructure necessary for the conversion at no cost to the city, valued at $149,000, according to officials. The replacement program, completed in March 2021, was expected to generate enough funding in energy savings to pay for the cost of the program. Recent studies, however, demonstrated a far lower cost savings on electric service than projected by ERC representatives.

A city study determined that the project information used by ERC, including meter location, number of lights and type of lights prior to conversion, was not accurately recorded. The study also found inaccurate invoicing by DTE before and after the conversion. While conversion to LED lighting decreased annual kilowatts per hour used in some areas, it increased costs in others, according to the data provided.

As part of the agreement in 2021, the city had the option to end the contract after two years by repaying the ERC investment in the installation of the necessary infrastructure. As no significant savings have been realized, Domine recommended that the council members authorize the buy-out provision of the contract which repays the ERC investment in lighting infrastructure at a depreciated rate.

Council members authorized Domine to start the buyout process with ERC at a cost of $132,737. A budget amendment was approved to draw $29,636 from the General Fund contingency, $16,430 from the Equipment Fund, $86,565 from the Parking Fund and $107 from the Water and Sewer Fund.

Canton

Canton Township officially reopens park splash pad

Canton Township has a sure cure for the hottest-ever recorded temperatures.

During a special ribbon-cutting ceremony during the Canton Liberty Fest, township officials celebrated the reopening of the renovated Heritage Park Splash Playground. Renovations to the splash park include improved interactive play zone and the installation of a new concrete picnic pad and the addition of four colorful shade structures that will allow visitors to take a break from the sun or share a picnic in the shade; as well as an accessible seating rock; waste and recycling receptacles; a hydration station, featuring both a drinking fountain and water bottle re-filler and signage acknowledging contributing partners in the renovations. The project was primarily funded through a Wayne County Parks millage.

The splash park is now open from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. daily through Labor Day. There is no admission fee for the park which is located next to the Summit on the Park at 46000 Summit Parkway.

Splash Playground rules include: no running or climbing; no glass, food, or pets; no bikes, skateboards, or rollerblades; and water shoes are recommended. All groups of 12 or more guests must also obtain a permit through the Canton Parks Office prior to their visit by calling (734) 394-5310. For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org/148.

The Grand Re-Opening of the Heritage Park Splash Playground is celebrated by Canton Township Supervisor Anne Marie Graham-Hudak along with elected officials and project contributors, as well as Wayne County Commissioner Melissa Daub.

The Tragedy of Macbeth set to take Village Theatre stage

Love is blind, he wrote. And can anything really vanish into thin air as he so vividly claimed? He first used those phrases and others including break the ice; foul play; what's done is done; come what may; too much of a good thing; the jaws of death and brave new world. All were introduced to everyday language by William Shakespeare, who continues to influence the English language today.

Still considered the best playwright of all time, he sent three witches to prophecy to a proud warrior that he would be king of Scotland - but will it be through his own actions or the decisions of others? A violent and intense tale of controlling ambition and scruples ignored, The Tragedy of Macbeth is one of Shakespeare's most famous and admired works filled with unforgettable speeches, scenes, and characters.

That tragedy which has audiences confronted by those same three vile witches and hungry warlords, can be experienced at the Michigan Shakespeare Festival at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill where the official Shakespeare Festival of the State of Michigan will present two Shakespeare works this season.

The upcoming performance of The Tragedy of Macbeth features Michigan Shakespeare Festival Artistic Associate David Blixt as Macbeth under the direction of Artistic Director Janice L Blixt.

The Michigan Shakespeare Festival is a nonprofit professional theatre which has entertained more than 85,000 patrons since it began in 1995. Originally named the Jackson Shakespeare Festival, it began as an outdoor summer event.

In 2003, the growing reputation as a regional classical theatre led then Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the Michigan Senate to designate the organization "The Official Shakespeare Festival of the State of Michigan."

Now entering the 2023 season, the festival has grown from one weekend to a six-week season during July and August.

Performances are planned from July 18 through Aug. 19. The Village Theatre at Cherry Hill is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. For more information, call (734) 394-5300. In addition to Macbeth, there will be performances of Pericles, Prince of Tyre and one non-Shakespearean classical piece - Georges Feydeau's "A Flea in Her Ear."

Tickets for each of the shows can be purchased online at https://www.michiganshakespearefestival.com or through The Village Theater at Cherry Hill Box Office by calling (734)395-5300.

Scholarship winner named

And the winner is…

Alexis Harden, a recent graduate of Plymouth High School was selected by members of the Canton Township Police Ed Jagst Scholarship Committee as the winner of the inaugural 1,000 scholarship. Harden plans to continue her studies at Lake Superior State University (LSSU) studying forensic chemistry. Scholarship committee member Police Sgt. Dave Eyl said Harden's selection for the memorial award was a strong choice. "I cannot think of a better recipient for the inaugural scholarship award given Ed (Jagst) graduated from LSSU and was an excellent evidence technician. Alexis mentioned in her personal statement discovering this field through the forensic science classes at P-CEP, a class Ed frequently presented to."

Fire fighters hosting movie

The Canton Township Fire Department will host Movie Night Wednesday, July 19 at Fire Station One, located at 1100 South Canton Center Road.

The movie will be Planes Fire and Rescue. Doors will open at 7 p.m. to meet and greet firefighters and view the various fire vehicles. The movie will start at 8 p.m. Those attending should bring lawn chairs and blankets and the firefighters will provide free popcorn.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 27, 2023 for the following:

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SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
2023 JULY BOARD OF REVIEW

The Sumpter Township Board of Review will be conducting the 2023 July Board of Review and will convene in the Sumpter Township Hall at 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, Michigan 48111.

The regular Board of Review schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm

This is a correction Board of Review and will cover all clerical errors and mutual mistakes of fact during the meeting.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assessor's Office at (734) 256-4413

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PLYMOUTH

Renovations continue at fire-gutted restaurant

Renovations at Karl's Cabin, a mainstay of the Plymouth community, are progressing and the Poulos family hopes to reopen the 76-year-old building this fall.

In a social media post, the family said substantial progress has been made with the renovation and "while it's been a long and complex road, we feel like we've turned the corner with the recent completion of the rough framing portion of the project. In the process we added a new kitchen addition to create more space for our back-of-house team allowing us to expand our food selections in the future. We also increased the size of our second floor and back hallways generating a better workflow experience for our front of house staff. We are now officially moving in a forward direction with our remodel," they said.

Like most construction projects, there have been some hiccups and mitigating the extensive smoke damage caused by the fire has presented some challenges. The family said the building was scheduled to be ice blasted last week as the final step in the smoke remediation process. The repairs have included bringing the building into modern day construction codes, a time-consuming and meticulous process.

One concern has been the restoration of the interior logs in the main dining room, the family said. Saving the original appearance and keeping the integrity of the historic log dining room is important to the Poulos family, the statement noted, "so this will be a tedious task for our stain contractor. Our plumbers and electricians will also start working inside the cabin running main lines throughout. And we look forward to the installation of new windows, doors, siding and roof where the fire did the most damage."

Workers ice blast the interior of the fire-ravaged Karl's Cabin in the ongoing remodeling and mediation work at the 76-year-old building. The Poulos family hopes for a re-opening this fall.

A three-alarm fire Feb. 15 seriously damaged the Gotfredson Road restaurant which has been closed during as the extensive repairs and renovations continue.

Takin' it to the street

The annual Fourth of July Parade down Main Street in Plymouth drew a large crowd of spectators this year, all cheering on the veterans, bands, local officials and multiple other marchers in the annual salute to America's birthday. The parade, organized by the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth, is followed each year with an Ice Cream Social in Kellogg Park downtown.

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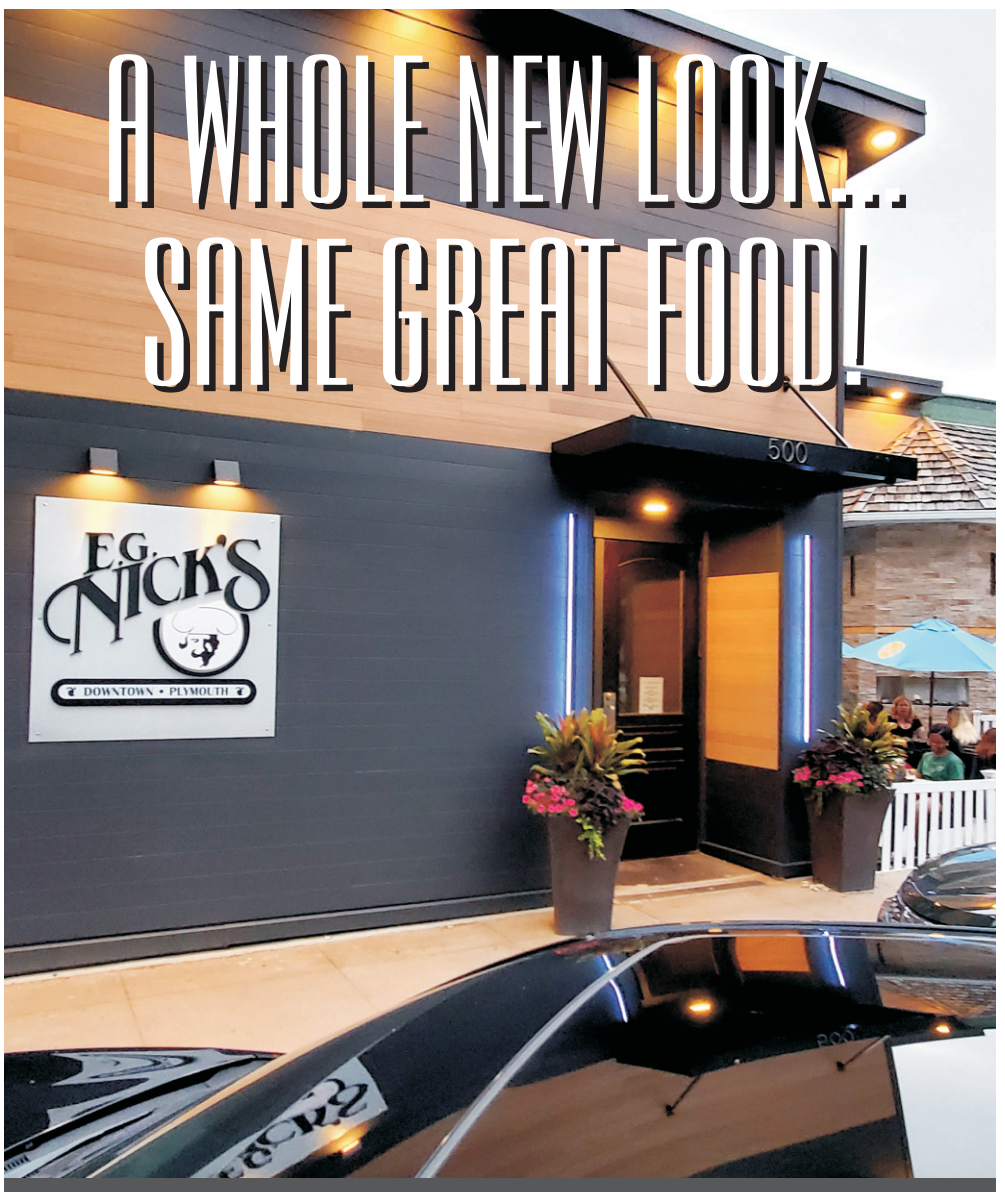

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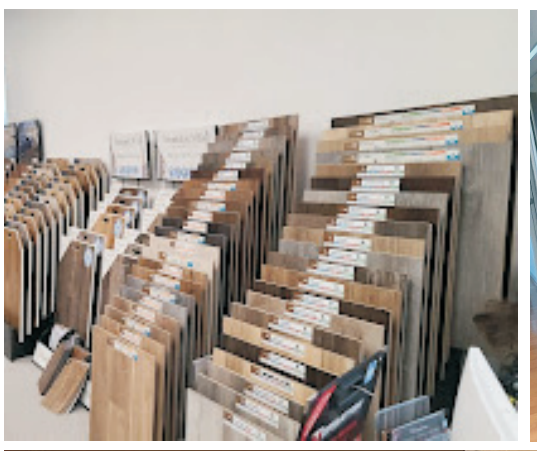

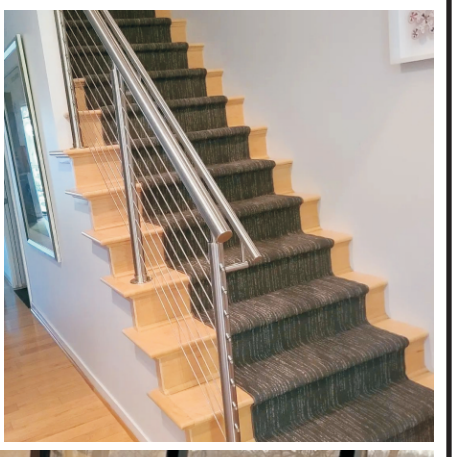

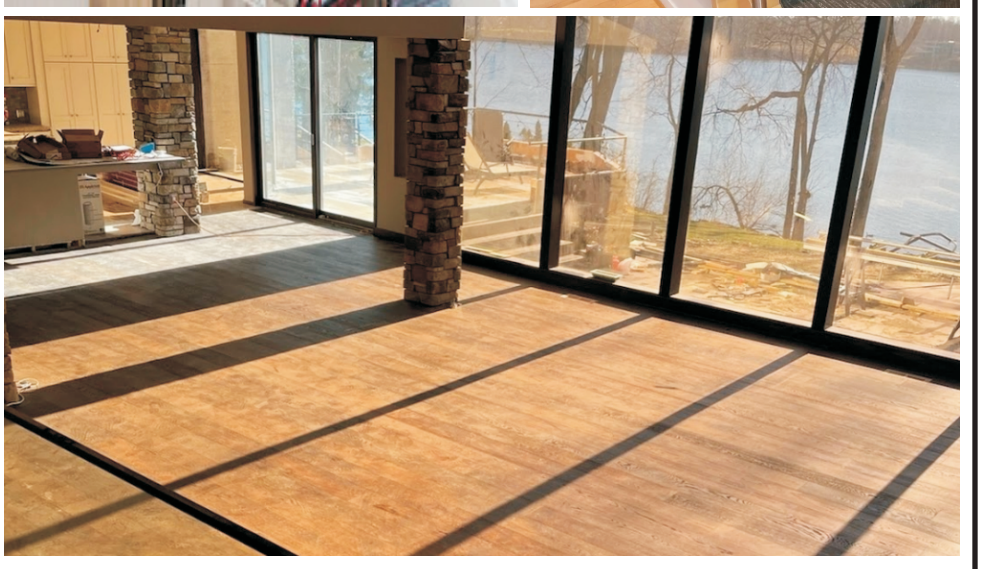

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Northville

Celebrate America

The traditional Northville Fourth of July parade through downtown streets drew a record crowd again this year. The annual event featured celebrities, bands, floats, officials and fun for all ages. The event was organized by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, already planning for even more patriotic entries next year.

Fire department promotes new lieutenant

Northville Township Firefighter/Paramedic Michael Obermiller has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant.

Obermiller joined the Northville Township department in 2011 and "has consistently shown unwavering commitment and professionalism in serving our community," officials said.

Obermiller earned his bachelor of science degree at Siena Heights University and is currently pursuing a masters degree in health care management business administration at Columbia South University. In 2018, his peers honored Obermiller as the Firefighter of the Year, a testament to his dedication and service, officials said.

> *Many children in Northville Public Schools know him as "Firefighter Mike."*

Obermiller has held various roles throughout his time with the Northville Township department. He has mentored new firefighters during their probationary training program and has made a significant impact as an elementary education specialist, officials said. Many children in Northville Public Schools know him as "Firefighter Mike" because he delivers valuable fire and life safety education every fall.

Obermiller represents the department on the Western Wayne County Hazardous Materials Response Team as a hazmat specialist and team leader.

He was also a former member of the Western Wayne County Special Operations team, serving as a tactical paramedic. Additionally, as a former Northville High School graduate, Obermiller was a founding member of the Northville Township Firefighters Charity Fund in 2014 and currently serves as treasurer of the organization.

Michael Obermiller

Beautification nominees sought

Members of the Northville Township Beautification Commission (NTBC) are taking long and evaluating assessments of landscaping work at businesses in the community.

The group annually evaluates the efforts of local businesses in an effort to motivate proprietors to surpass the mandatory landscape regulations in the township with a formal acknowledgement of their work.

The evaluation process takes place from mid-June to early July, encompassing all landscaping aspects.

Anyone wishing to submit a candidate for acknowledgement can e-mail photos o northvilletwpbeautification@gmail.com.

The deadline for submission is July 9, the spokesman continued and business owners can nominate themselves.

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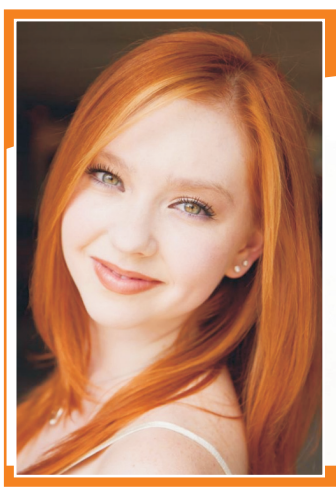

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ROMULUS - SUMPTER

Hope not Handcuffs

Wayne police will host training session for program 'angels'

The City of Wayne Police Department is seeking some angels.

The department is sponsoring volunteer training for Hope Not Handcuffs "angels" who are part of an initiative launched by Families Against Narcotics (FAN) in 2017. The Hope not Handcuffs program is a collaborative effort between FAN, law enforcement, and community organizations to find viable treatment options for individuals seeking help to reduce their dependence on prescription medication, alcohol, heroin, or other drugs.

> *A person struggling with any substance use disorder can come to any of the participating police agencies.*

A person struggling with any substance use disorder can come to any of the participating police agencies or community partners and ask for help. They will be greeted with support, compassion, and respect, according to the organization website. If accepted into the program, the individual will be guided through a brief intake process to ensure proper treatment placement.

If a person is uninsured or has Medicaid, an "angel" will work directly with the local Office of Substance Abuse Services for placement. If a person has private insurance, the program will provide them with treatment options covered by their plan. Regardless, the local team of "angels"will work to get them into treatment as soon as possible.

Currently, there are more than 600 volunteer Angels, and one of them will help with paperwork and provide compassionate support until a treatment option is found.

Wayne is seeking more help for the program and will host the volunteer training at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23 at the police station, 33701 Michigan Ave. Volunteers are required to complete the Angel application and register to attend.

The form and information are available at familiesagainstnarcotics.or/hopenothandcuffs-angel.

Last month, Hope not Handcuffs compassionately connected 171 men and women to the compassionate support and recovery resources they needed to restart their lives, according to a social media post from the organization.

Volunteers needed to help revive township events

Sumpter Township Deputy Supervisor/Trustee Tim Rush is among the members of the township parks and recreation board hoping to revive several community events impacted by the pandemic.

During the June 26 meeting of the board of trustees, Rush explained that the township and the parks and recreation department were hosting Family Fun Day from noon until 4 p.m. July 22. He explained that while the volunteers and some township employees were already in the process of preparing for the event, volunteers were still needed.

"Anybody who wants to volunteer should contact the clerk's office," Rush said. "I figure we'll probably start setting up and moving equipment from the parks and rec building probably about 9:30 in the morning," he added.

Rush thanked fellow Trustee Matt Oddy who volunteered to help him cook during the day-long family event. "We are cooking with charcoal, and we've got those brand new grills out there. That'll be fantastic, "Rush said.

Rush said volunteers are also needed to bring back the popular Turkey Shoot in the township. He said members of the committee had been discussing the negative impact on current ammunition prices and other supplies for the event. He noted that the committee members had discussed increasing the participation fees or asking for donations, but no final decision had been made.

> *We need volunteers if we are going to be able to bring back some of these community events.*

"We need volunteers for this event, too. We need volunteers if we are going to be able to bring back some of these community events," he said.

Bowling evening planned

The Romulus Chamber of Commerce and Friends of the Romulus Public Library have teamed up for a fundraiser set for next Saturday, July 22.

Bowling Night is planned at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at Romulus Lanes. Check-in will begin at 6:30 and bowling will begin at 7 p.m. sharp, organizers said. Bowlers of all levels are welcome organizers said. There will also be 50/50 raffles, men's and women's high game prizes and a cash bar will be available.

The cost is $50 per couple or $25 per person and includes three games of bowling, shoe rental, pizza and pop and two mystery games.

Bowlers can register and pay in advance at romuluschamber.org.

Animal shelter officially renamed

It is now, officially, the William "Bill" Wadsworth Animal Shelter in the City of Romulus.

Recently, under some threatening skies, the new sign at the shelter at 12300 Wayne Road was scheduled to be officially unveiled. Wadsworth, named as the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year in April, was instrumental in the construction of the animal shelter.

More than $351,000 has been raised through various individual donations and fundraising events such as the Bingo event during the Pumpkin Festival and the Annual Bowl-a-thon at Romulus Lanes. Wadsworth was tireless in organizing fundraising efforts to build and continue to operate the facility. He secured monetary and in-kind donations to make the shelter possible, officials said.

Romulus Mayor Robert McCraight was scheduled to officially unveil the sign honoring Wadsworth's tireless efforts.

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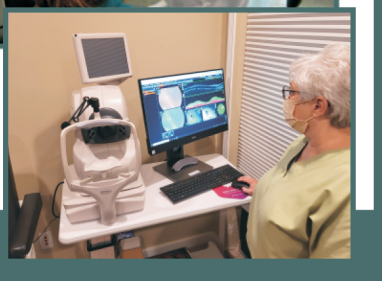

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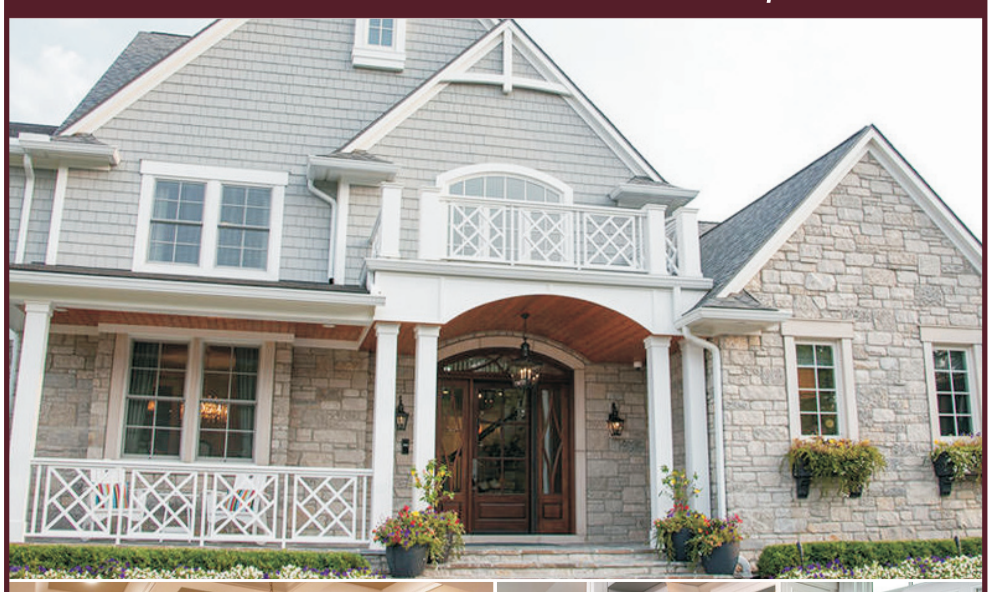

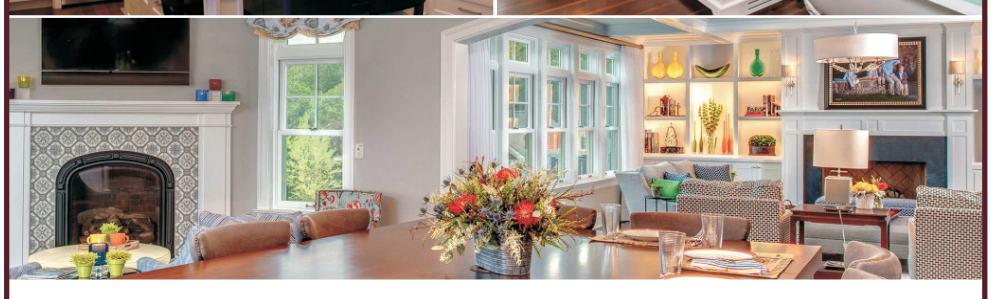

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Inkster - Westland

Prosecutor drops child sex abuse charges

Separate charges of sexual abuse of both a Wayne and Westland child have been dismissed by Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

James Adam Baird, 44 of Plymouth, was charged in the two separate incidents on Feb. 1. The original complaint alleged that Baird had sexually assaulted a then 10-year-old Westland girl who is now 13 years old. He was also charged with the sexual assault of a then 11-year-old Wayne girl who is now 15 years old. It was alleged that the assaults happened when Baird was working as a school vision specialist and alleged that at approximately noon on March 1, 2018 at a school in the 35100 block of Bayview Street he assaulted the then 10-year-old Wayne victim. He was charged with one count of first-degree criminal sexual conduct - person under 13.

In the second incident, it was alleged that at approximately noon on Feb. 11 of 2020, Baird assaulted a then 11-year-old Westland girl.

> *We are certain that dismissing these charges was warranted. It is the right thing to do.*

In this incident, Baird was charged with one count of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, and one count of second-degree criminal sexual conduct.

As a result of information received in the case, further investigation was requested by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office of the Westland Police Department. As a result of the police investigation, the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office moved the court to dismiss all charges without prejudice.

Visiting Judge Randy Kalmbach granted the motion to dismiss the case on July 5.

"Additional investigation that we requested from the Westland Police Department was crucial to the decision in this case. We are certain that dismissing these charges was warranted. It is the right thing to do. We have no further comment, as there is pending civil litigation in connect with these matters," Worthy said in a prepared statement.

On June 28, Baird's two Garden City sexual assault cases were also dismissed by the prosecutor's office without prejudice by Kalmbach.

Inkster police planning National Night Out festival

The Inkster Police Department is celebrating National Night Out with a special family festival at the police station on Michigan Avenue.

The event which will take place from 5 until 10 p.m. Aug. 1 at the Inkster Police Station will include games, food, music, a bounce house, a video game truck, bowling and face painting. The event is free and open to the public.

"National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances," according to a prepared statement.

Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out across thousands of communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August (Texas and select areas celebrate on the first Tuesday in October). Neighborhoods host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and various other community events with safety demonstrations, seminars, youth events, visits from emergency personnel, exhibits and much, much more.

In Inkster, the free festival will take place at 26279 Michigan Ave. in the police station parking lot. Free booths are still available for organizations. For information, contact (313)460-4992.

Blues, Brews and BBQ set in Westland Aug. 4 and 5

One of the most anticipated events of the summer will return to Westland in August.

Blues, Brews & Barbecue will return Friday, Aug. 4 and Saturday, Aug. 5 with live music, a 200 drone light show, fireworks, top BBQ pitmasters and ice-cold draft brews.

Live entertainment set for Aug. 4 this year will include: 5-6:30 p.m. DownRiver Dan; 7-8:30 p.m. Broken Arrow and from 9-11 p.m. Larry McCray.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, performances include: 4-5:30 p.m. The Randy Brock Group; from 6 until 8 p.m. Kenny Parker Band with special guests Jim McCarty and Johnny Bee and from 8 until 10 p.m. Chris Canas.

The festival will take place at Thomas H. Brown Central City Park and is produced jointly by the City of Westland, the Westland Downtown Development Authority and the Westland Chamber of Commerce. Sponsorship packages for the event are now available starting from $250. To sponsor Blues, Brews and Barbecue, contact the Westland Chamber of Commerce at (734) 326-7222.

"Each year, Blues, Brews and Barbecue gets better than the year before and this year will be no different. From the music and food, to time spent with family, Blues, Brews and Barbecue is always a major event not only for Westland, but the whole metro Detroit area as well," said Mayor Michael P. Londeau.

The Kenny Parker Band will perform at the Westland Blues, Brews and Barbeque festival this year.

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CITY OF ROMULUS
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
WEDNESDAY, August 2, 2023

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus Board of Zoning Appeals will hold the following public hearings beginning at **7:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday, August 2, 2023** at the Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road to consider the following petitions:

1. TEMP-2023-003; **Deranged Haunted Attraction (Michael Fini)**, requesting temporary use approval in accordance with *Section 22.03(e), Temporary Uses and Buildings* of the Zoning Ordinance for an outdoor haunted attraction with a walking trail and temporary structure from 9/16/23 through 11/1/23 located at **35560 Goddard** (Parcel ID #80-068-01-0027-002).
2. BZA-2023-013; **Christopher Leduc**, requesting a variance from *Section 3.04(3)(b), Accessory Buildings* of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a pole barn that exceeds the allowed total square footage of accessory buildings (up to 1,500 sq. ft. is allowed and 2,283 sq. ft. is requested). The property is located at **13450 Cogswell** (DP #80-118-01-0018-000) and zoned R-1B, Single-family Residential.
3. BZA-2023-008; **Romulus Distribution Center (Ashley Capital)** - Building Height, requesting a variance from S*ection 8.04(a) Area, Height and Placement Requirements* of the Zoning Ordinance to increase the height of two buildings from the allowable 35' to 47'. The property is located at **36711 Ecorse Road**, a 159-acre parcel between Ecorse Rd. and Wick Rd., west of the CSX Railroad and zoned M-1, Light Industrial and R-1A, Single-family Residential.
4. BZA-2023-009; **Romulus Distribution Center (Ashley Capital)** - Light Pole Height, requesting a variance from S*ection 13.05(e) Lighting Regulations* of the Zoning Ordinance to increase the light pole height from the allowable 14' within 300' of a residential district to 25'. The property is located at **36711 Ecorse Road**, a 159-acre parcel between Ecorse Rd. and Wick Rd., west of the CSX Railroad and zoned M-1, Light Industrial and R-1A, Single-family Residential.
5. BZA-2023-010; **Romulus Distribution Center (Ashley Capital)** requesting a use variance in accordance with *Section 22.03(d) Use Variances* of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a detention basin associated with a warehouse/distribution development on 5.7 acres of property zoned R-1A, Single Family Residential where M-1, Light Industrial zoning is required. The 159-acre property is located at **36711 Ecorse Road** between Ecorse Rd. and Wick Rd., west of the CSX Railroad that is zoned M-1, Light Industrial and R-1A, Single Family Residential.
6. BZA-2023-011; **Sheetz** requesting a variance from *Section 14.01(f), Off Street Parking Requirements* of the Zoning Ordinance to allow 4 additional parking spaces, increasing the maximum allowable spaces from 51 to 55 spaces for a drive-thru restaurant, convenience store and fueling station. The subject property is located at **33380 Wick Road** (DP# 80-039-99-0001-707) and zoned RC, Regional Center.
7. BZA-2023-012; **First Class Self Storage, LLC** requesting the following variances from the Zoning Ordinance for property that is located at 29109 Beverly Road (DP# 80-003-99-0006-000) and zoned M-1, Light Industrial:
   a. A variance from *Section 11.12(a), Use Standards - Self-Storage Facilitie*s to allow a 37,000-sq.ft. self-storage building on property that is 2.16 acres where a minimum of 4 acres is required; and
   b. A variance from *Section 8.04(a) Area, Height and Placement Requirements* to allow a 10' setback adjacent to residential property where 50' is required.

Copies of the applications are available for review in the Planning Department located at the Department of Public Services (12600 Wayne Road) during regular business hours which are 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Carol Maise, City Planner in the Planning Department at 734-955-4530. Written comments may be submitted and should be addressed to the Planning Department, 12600 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485. All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said requests. Anyone planning to attend the meeting who has need of special assistance under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is asked to contact the Planning Secretary (734-955-4530) 48 hours prior to the meeting. Our staff will be pleased to make necessary arrangements.

Ellen Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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